

To the FCC and all decision-making personnel,

I am writing in full support of the FCC maintaining its pre-existing laws and regulations concerning the internet, namely Title II. The internet is no longer a luxury, it's a necessity. Beyond silly entertainment, it provides students access to their classwork, instructors, and content for research, employees the connection to their files, schedules, and pertinent information, individuals a direct and instantaneous line of communication with faraway loved ones, and so much more. The internet is the mainstream public utility of the 21st century, and it should be mandated as such. This is a utility that serves countless functions; and for a strong and healthy democracy it must remain impartial to all individuals. Should the FCC resort to Title I, it will be choosing corporate interests over the welfare of the majority. With loose oversight, ISPs will turn the internet's currently equal landscape into a corrupted hierarchy. ISP giants like Comcast or Verizon will create "fast lanes" at higher fees and will deliberately slow the processing speed of competitors' interests, and in all of this it is the citizen that gets screwed. Ajit Pai's insistence that nothing will change is a cop-out in the worst way. It is only the federal government that has the power (and obligation) to protect the citizen. The private sector is not and does not care. I'm probably just standing on a soapbox here but the commercialization of the internet in a continuously growing digitized world is one way to shift into higher gear towards dystopia. Keep Title II. Do something honorable, not profitable.